

Remarks:

This amendment is submitted in an earnest effort to advance this case to issue without delay. The examiner has indicated that the case contains allowable subject matter.

Enclosed herewith is a PTO-1449 making of record the references cited in the introduction of the instant application and those references cited in the International Search Report or the US equivalents thereof.

The title has been amended and an Application Data Sheet reflecting the correction is transmitted herewith.

Claims 2 and 3-6 have been found to contain allowable subject matter. Accordingly the subject matter of allowable claim 2, which depended from claim 1, has been inserted into claim 1, and claim 1 has been canceled, making claim 1 allowable. Claims 3-6 have been amended to comply somewhat better with US practice.

Claims 7-9 and 22-24 have been amended to include the allowable subject matter of claims 2 or 3, and to improve their format and language somewhat.

Thus all of the Claims in the case are allowable. Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

If only minor problems that could be corrected by means of a telephone conference stand in the way of allowance of this case, the examiner is invited to call the undersigned to make the necessary corrections.

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Enclosure:

Substitute Abstract  
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